Useful Links for Homeowners

Stay Warm, Save Money – seasonal tips from the U.S. Department of Energy: In a typical home, 43% of the utility bill goes toward heating and cooling. This site provides consumers with free and inexpensive strategies for saving energy and money through the cool fall and winter months, as well as energy-saving investments that can provide savings over the long term. You'll also find information on financial assistance for energy-saving improvements.

http://www.energysavers.gov/seasonal/

<u>Appliance Rebates</u> – These rebates are being funded with \$300 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Under this program, eligible consumers can receive rebates to purchase new energy-efficient appliances when they replace used appliances.

http://www.energysavers.gov/financial/70020.html

<u>Energy Star for Homeowners</u> – Making your home more energy efficient with ENERGY STAR can help to reduce high energy bills, improve comfort and help to protect the environment. Improving energy efficiency is also an important first step for homeowners interested in green remodeling. ENERGY STAR can guide you in making your home more efficient — whether you do-it-yourself or hire a qualified professional.

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=home improvement.hm improvement index

<u>Suggestions from and information on programs offered by National Grid</u> – Includes information on rebates and other efficiency programs and services

https://www.nationalgridus.com/narragansett/home/energyeff/energyeff.asp

<u>National Grid – 3% less per year initiative</u> – Includes a personal energy evaluation to identify things you can do to start reducing your energy use

https://www.powerofaction.com/about/

More information on renewable energy and energy efficient technologies –

State of Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources

http://www.energy.ri.gov/index.php

U.S. Department of Energy Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy http://www.eere.energy.gov/

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, New England Region http://www.epa.gov/region01/topics/envpractice/eefficiency.html